

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**of the Town of**  
**MIDDLETON**  
**New Hampshire**

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**For the Fiscal Year Ending**  
**December 31, 1948**





# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**of the**

## **OFFICERS**

**of the**

### **TOWN OF MIDDLETON**

**New Hampshire**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31,  
1948**

**VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1948**



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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **Moderator**

RUTH G. KELLY

### **Selectmen**

JOHN D. TUFTS

CLAYTON W. SHEPARD

DONALD E. FRANCOEUR

### **Town Clerk**

LUCINDA D. JENNESS

### **Town Treasurer**

BEATRICE YOUNG

### **Auditors**

RUTH G. KELLY

EVELYN M. DIPRIZIO

### **Supervisors**

MERRITT BULLIS

EDITH BULLIS

ANGELINE KIMBALL

### **Tax Collector**

BERNIECE FRANCOEUR

### **Police**

ELMORE CHAMBERLAIN

### **School Board**

DOROTHY COOK

MARION STEVENS

VIOLA BULLIS

### **School Clerk**

LUCINDA D. JENNESS

### **School Treasurer**

BEATRICE YOUNG

### **School Auditors**

GLADYS WHITEHOUSE

PRISCILLA KIMBALL

**MIDDLETON TOWN WARRANT****THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Middleton in the  
County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote  
in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall  
in said Middleton on Tuesday, the eighth day of March  
next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the  
following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the  
year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be neces-  
sary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and  
make appropriations of the same.

Town officers' salaries .....	\$455 00
Town officers' expense .....	350 00
Election and registration .....	30 00
Insurance .....	100 00
Fire department .....	100 00
Support of poor .....	50 00
Old age assistance .....	350 00
Street lighting .....	220 00
Town road maintenance .....	1,000 00
Highway department expenses ..	400 00
Town hall expense .....	50 00
Vital statistics .....	7 00

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\$3,112 00

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and ap-  
propriate the necessary sum of money to paint and re-  
pair the Town Hall.



4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money for county tax. 1948 tax was \$546.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money for State Aid Construction. 1948 sum was \$309.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town bills, in anticipation of taxes.

7. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 7th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD,  
DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
Selectmen of Middleton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD,  
DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
Selectmen of Middleton.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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Lands and buildings .....	\$98,205 00
Growing wood and timber .....	35,350 00
Electric plants, 1 .....	8,500 00
Horses, 11 .....	1,025 00
Cows, 21 .....	2,775 00
Other neat stock 1 .....	75 00
Wood lumber, etc. ....	31,242 00
Gasoline pumps and tanks, 2 .....	115 00
Stock in trade .....	3,000 00
Aqueducts .....	5,000 00
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Total valuation .....	\$185,287 00
Poll taxes, 119 at \$2.00 .....	\$238 00
Total amount of taxes to be committed to	
Collector including town and precinct	
taxes, poll taxes and National Bank	
stock taxes .....	
	\$7,655 70
Average rate of taxation per one hundred	
dollars valuation for all purposes ..	
	\$4 00
Amount of property valuation exempted	
to soldiers .....	
	\$5,000 00
Number of inventories sent out .....	153
Number of inventories returned .....	82

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## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

For the Tax Year 1948

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Town officers' salaries .....	\$455 00
Town officers' expenses .....	345 00
Election and registration expenses .....	130 00
Town hall and buildings .....	100 00
Fire department .....	100 00

State aid construction .....	309 00
Town maintenance .....	1,000 00
Street lighting .....	220 00
General expenses of highway department .	400 00
Old age assistance .....	350 00
Town poor .....	50 00
County tax .....	546 00
School tax .....	3,627 00

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Total town and school appropriations .. \$7,632 00

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and dividend tax ..	\$6 00
Savings bank tax .....	30 00
Motor vehicle permit fees ..	450 00
Rent of town property ....	20 00

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Total revenues and credits \$476 30

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\$7,155 70

Plus overlay ..... 500 00

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Net amount to be raised by taxation ..... \$7,655 70

Less poll taxes at \$2.00 ..... 238 00

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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured ..... \$7,417 70

**Taxes to be Committed to Collector**

Property taxes .....	\$7,417 70
Poll taxes at \$2.00 .....	238 00

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Total taxes to be committed ..... \$7,655 70



**FINANCIAL REPORT**

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**ASSETS**

Cash in hands of treasurer .....	\$1,760 79
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Bounties .....	55 00
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1947 .....	66 98
Levy of 1946 .....	29 89
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1948 .....	1,418 00
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Total assets .....	\$3,330 66
Surplus, December 31, 1947 ....	\$1,416 98
Surplus, December 31, 1948 ....	2,155 06
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Increase of surplus .....	\$738 08

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**LIABILITIES**

Due to School Districts:	
Dog licenses .....	\$48 60
Balance of appropriation .....	1,127 00
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Total liabilities .....	\$1,175 60
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus) ..	2,155 06
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Grand total .....	\$3,330 66

## RECEIPTS

## Current Revenue:

## From Local Taxes:

Property taxes, current year .	\$6,150 48
Poll taxes, current year, regular at \$2.00 .....	158 00
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Total current year's taxes collected and remitted .....	\$6,308 48
Property taxes, previous years .....	1,559 62
Poll taxes, previous years, regular at \$2 .....	74 00
Interest received on taxes .....	20 20
Tax sales redeemed .....	21 09

## From State:

For Class V highway maintenance .....	738 00
Interest and dividend tax .....	8 27
Savings bank tax .....	22
Fighting forest fires .....	14 83

## From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses .....	48 60
Rent of town property .....	120 00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1948 permits .....	520 81

## Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year .....	2,000 00
Sale of town property .....	600 00

Total receipts from all sources .....	\$12,034 12
Cash on hand January 1, 1948 .....	2,996 10
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Grand total .....	\$15,030 22



## PAYMENTS

## Current Maintenance Expenses:

## General Government:

Town officers' salaries .....	\$475 50
Town officers' expenses .....	317 67
Election and registration expenses .....	132 00
Expenses town hall and other town build- ings .....	37 42

## Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department .....	11 10
Fire department, including forest fires ..	109 15
Bounties .....	55 00

## Health:

Vital statistics .....	7 00
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## Highways and Bridges:

Class V highway .....	738 00
Town maintenance:	
Summer .....	417 30
Winter .....	820 78
Street lighting .....	219 96
General expenses of highway department	437 07

## Public Welfare:

Old age assistance .....	315 47
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## Unclassified:

Insurance .....	82 97
Taxes bought by town .....	75 91
Discounts, abatements and refunds .....	106 55

## Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes .....	54 19
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Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

State aid construction ..... 309 00

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes ..... 4,500 00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions: ..

Taxes paid to county ..... 546 00

Payments to School Districts:

1947 appropriation ..... 929 00

Dog licenses ..... 72 39

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Total payments for all purposes .... \$13,269 43

Cash on hand December 31, 1948 ..... 1,760 79

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Grand total ..... \$15,030 22

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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, lands and buildings ..... \$6,100 00

Fire department, equipment ..... 300 00

Highway department, lands and buildings . 500 00

Equipment ..... 2,500 00

Schools, lands and buildings ..... 2,500 00

Tuttle property ..... 25 00

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Total ..... \$11,925 00

JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON SHEPARD,  
DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
Selectmen.  
BEATRICE YOUNG,  
Treasurer.



**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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Auto permits, 1948 .....	\$520 81
Dog licenses .....	33 60
Rent of Town Hall .....	120 00
Auto permits, 1947 .....	15 00

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Total paid treasurer .....	\$689 41
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LUCINDA D. JENNESS,

Town Clerk.

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT

### LEVY OF 1948

#### Debits

##### Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property taxes .....	\$7,509 48
Poll taxes .....	260 00

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Total warrant .....	\$7,769 48
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##### Added Taxes:

Property taxes .....	65 00
Poll taxes .....	2 00
Interest collected .....	7 28

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Total debits .....	\$7,843 76
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#### Credits

##### Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes .....	\$6,150 48
Poll taxes .....	158 00
Interest collected .....	7 28
Abatements .....	110 00

##### Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property taxes .....	1,334 00
Poll taxes .....	84 00

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Total credits .....	\$7,843 76
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BERNIECE E. FRANCOEUR,

Tax Collector.



**TREASURER'S REPORT****SUMMARY, 1948**

Cash on hand January 1, 1948 .....	\$2,996 10
Cash .....	189 75
Tax levy, 1946 .....	38 33
Tax levy, 1947 .....	1,342 55
Tax levy, 1948 .....	6,391 67
Redemptions .....	21 09
Class V, highway department .....	738 00
Savings bank tax .....	22
Dividend tax .....	8 27
Registration motor vehicles, 1948 .....	520 81
Dog licenses, 1947 .....	15 00
Dog licenses, 1948 .....	33 60
Fire wardens .....	14 83
Note, Farmington Bank .....	2,000 00
Jones-McCullough Estate .....	600 00
Rent Town Hall .....	120 00
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	\$15,030 22
Orders drawn .....	13,269 43
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January 1, 1949, balance .....	\$1,760 79

BEATRICE YOUNG,

Treasurer.

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

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Irene Shepard .....	\$25 00
Gladys Whitehouse .....	2 00
Priscilla Kimball .....	2 00
Berniece Francoeur .....	75 00
Donald Francoeur .....	40 00
Beatrice Young .....	50 00
Lucinda Jenness .....	96 50
Clayton Shepard .....	60 00
John D. Tufts .....	125 00
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	\$475 50

### TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

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Edson Eastman .....	\$1 34
Tax Collectors' Association, dues .....	6 00
Sargent Brothers .....	13 25
D. L. Garrison .....	4 50
Anna M. Morin .....	11 25
Ethel G. Waldron .....	10
Association of N. H. Assessors .....	2 00
William R. Wentworth .....	20 00
Brown & Saltmarsh .....	39 75
Irene Shepard .....	23 99
The Record Press .....	123 50
Beatrice Young .....	2 00
John Tufts .....	71
Donald Francoeur .....	14 07
Berniece Francoeur .....	7 45
Charles R. Hardy .....	2 00



## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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State of New Hampshire .....	39 76
Merritt Bullis .....	3 00
Lucinda Jenness .....	3 00
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	\$317 67

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Norbert Brannan .....	\$15 00
George Kimball .....	15 00
Myron Tufts .....	15 00
Ruth Kelly .....	12 00
Dorothy Cook .....	6 00
Ruby Brannan .....	3 00
Merritt Bullis .....	21 00
Edith Bullis .....	21 00
Angeline Kimball .....	18 00
Wesley Whitehouse .....	6 00
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	\$132 00

## TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Public Service Co. ....	\$18 52
Merritt Bullis .....	11 90
Donald Francoeur .....	7 00
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	\$37 42

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Union Fire Precinct .....	\$51 00
Sidney Stevens .....	26 67

Charles DiPrizio .....	6 80
Leon Tufts .....	5 73
Wilfred Wilkinson .....	4 50
Clifford Butler .....	1 13
Moses Tufts .....	1 13
Ransome Tufts .....	1 13
Harry Eastman .....	1 13
Lloyd Eastman .....	1 13
Melvin Stevens .....	1 45
Arthur Stevens .....	1 45
Charles Cook .....	1 13
Wesley Whitehouse .....	1 13
Eric Bullis, Jr. ....	75
George Kimball .....	75
Lyle Hooper .....	1 07
John Tufts .....	1 07
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	\$109 15

### TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

	Summer	Winter	Class V
Alphonzo Kimball ..		\$145 61	
Clayton Shepard ...		126 40	
R. G. Wentworth ...		16 58	
Charles DiPrizio ...	\$3 86	48 62	\$19 48
William Leighton ..	2 63	131 00	13 75
William Brown ....		33 38	
Collector of Internal			
Revenue .....	32 70	52 30	5 25
Steve Tufts .....		13 12	
Herbert Tufts .....		23 25	
Sidney Stevens ....	31 93	22 13	
Earl W. Stevens ...	2 25	21 38	
Union Garage .....		35 91	
Woodbury Kimball .	51 53	4 50	29 10

# TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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George Kimball ....	91 87	18 75	128 90
Arthur Stevens ....		6 00	
George Tufts .....		13 20	
Ransome Tufts ....		10 50	
Norbert Brannan ..		3 75	
Town of Farmington		72 00	
C. N. Senter .....		13 75	
Moses Tufts .....		8 65	69 85
Willard Young ....	27 50		141 70
Clifford Butler ....			52 00
John Gray .....			7 00
Vickers Elec. Shop			212 62
Leon Tufts .....			17 00
John Burrows .....			6 75
John Tufts .....	70 70		34 60
William Stevens ...	8 40		
Treasurer, State of			
N. H. ....	71 50		
Wesley W. White-			
house .....	10 43		
Merritt Bullis .....	3 00		
Wilfred Wilkinson .	9 00		
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	\$417 30	\$820 78	\$738 00

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

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W. S. Daley & Co. ....	\$11 10
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## BOUNTIES

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Carlyslle Brooks .....	\$11 00
John Tufts .....	19 50



Wilfred Wilkinson .....	50
Stewart Bullis .....	50
Arthur Stevens .....	50
John Stevens .....	50
Fred Downs .....	1 00
Mason Joy .....	4 50
J. Cleaves .....	1 00
Dorothy Cook .....	50
Orrie Tufts .....	4 50
Norman Tufts .....	2 50
Stephen Tufts .....	1 00
Gladys Whitehouse .....	1 00
William Stevens .....	1 00
Earl Stevens .....	6 00
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	\$55 50

### TRUCK AND TRACTOR EXPENSES

Lakes Region Motor Co. ....	\$61 93
Stevens Garage .....	3 98
Lasky's Garage .....	49 92
Union Garage .....	178 59
John D. Blaisdell .....	82 30
William Leighton .....	13 50
Caselline Venable Co. ....	45 25
C. W. Gray .....	1 60
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	\$437 07

### VITAL STATISTICS

Lucinda Jenness .....	\$7 00
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TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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STREET LIGHTING

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Public Service Co. .... \$219 96

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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

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State of New Hampshire ..... \$315 47

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TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

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Irene Shepard ..... \$75 91

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TAX REFUND

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Richard Whitehouse ..... \$41 40  
Ethel Moore ..... 65 15  

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\$106 55

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INSURANCE

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William Wentworth ..... \$82 93

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INTEREST

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Farmington National Bank ..... \$54 19

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STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

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State Highway Department ..... \$309 00

**TEMPORARY LOANS**

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Farmington National Bank .....	\$4,500 00
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**COUNTY TAX**

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Thomas K. Davenhall .....	\$546 00
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**SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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1947 appropriation, balance .....	\$1,001 39
1948 appropriation .....	2,500 00
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	\$3,501 39



## STATEMENT OF ELIZA LANE ESTATE

As Settled by the Strafford County Commissioners

Addie Mae Jones' home sold to Roland W.	
Young for .....	\$3,000 00
Received payment from Lawyer Brant of Cooper, Hall & Grimes, Rochester, for the amount of .....	2,210 15
Paid the following expenses from \$3,000.00:	
Paid by Attorney Brant:	
Attorney's fee .....	\$250 00
Cash disbursements .....	36 55
Mary E. McCullough .....	500 00
Revenue stamps .....	3 30
August 18, Town of Middleton, for relief given to Miss Jones .....	600 00
Gravestone and inscription, Smalley, Daverio and Ly- ons .....	140 00
Direct relief given by Strafford County from June 1, 1939, to September 13, 1939— \$155.93.	
Reimbursement \$80.00 received from Mary McCullough, money given to her by Miss Jones, balance .....	75 93
 Total expenses .....	 \$1,605 78
Balance .....	\$1,394 22
Balance to be applied to board at Strafford County Home.	
Total board from September 19, 1939, to September 30, 1948	\$3,554 83

## REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

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Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing cooperation of all the people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

1. Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow.
2. If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.
3. Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your cooperation in this way is earnestly solicited.

**1948 Fire Record**

Number of fires .....	1
Acreage burned .....	8
Number of fire permits issued .....	15

Respectfully submitted,

SIDNEY A. STEVENS,  
Forest Fire Warden.

S. H. BOOMER,  
District Fire Chief.

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**FIRE CALLS**


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- 1 Test alarm, 12 Noon
- 2 Long, no school, Ridge
- 1 Long, 1 short, Ridge Road
- 1 Long, 2 short, Tag Hollow
- 1 Long, 3 short, Silver Street
- 2 Long, 1 short, Perkinsville
- 2 Long, 2 short, Middleton Corner
- 2 Long, 3 short, between Middleton Corner and Reservoir
- 1 Long, 4 short, New Portsmouth
- 2 Long, 4 short, Pleasant Valley
- 3 Long, out of town

SIDNEY A. STEVENS,  
Forest Fire Warden.

This fire alarm signal is at the home of Sidney Stevens. Call him on any fires.

SELECTMEN.



**SCHOOL REPORT**1947-1948

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We hereby submit our report of the finances of the School District up to June 30, 1948.

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**OFFICERS****School Board**

Dorothy Cook ..... Term expires in 1949  
Marion Stevens ..... Term expires in 1950  
Viola Bullis ..... Term expires in 1951

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**Organization**

EVERETT H. BRASIER—Superintendent  
DOROTHY COOK—Chairman  
BEATRICE YOUNG—Treasurer  
DOROTHY WILLEY—Nurse

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**SCHOOL WARRANT**

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of  
Middleton qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall  
in said district on the 8th day of March, 1949, at the  
close of the town meeting to act upon the following  
subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the coming year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the coming year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officers, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see if the town will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote to buy six primary chairs for the Ridge School, costing approximately \$4.00 to \$6.00 each.

Given under our hands at said Middleton this 21st day of January, 1949.

DOROTHY COOK,  
MARION STEVENS,  
VIOLA BULLIS,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

DOROTHY COOK,  
MARION STEVENS,  
VIOLA BULLIS,

School Board.

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF THE MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1947, and  
Ending June 30, 1948

**RECEIPTS**

State Aid:

(a) Equalization and General Aid for elementary schools .....	\$3,085 42
(b) Other \$500.81 and \$1,200 .....	1,700 81

Income from Local Taxation:

(a) For support of schools .....	2,029 00
(b) Balance of previous appropriations	107 34

From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog licenses:

1946 .....	\$35 40	
1947 .....	36 99	
		72 39

Total receipts from all sources ..... \$6,994 96

**PAYMENTS**

Salaries of district officers .....	\$140 16
Superintendent's excess salary .....	120 00
Tax for state-wide supervision .....	86 00
Expenses of administration .....	52 90
Teacher's salary .....	1,996 00
Textbooks .....	15 20



## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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Scholars' supplies .....	57 99
Other expenses of instruction .....	17 79
Janitor service .....	89 50
Fuel .....	10 00
Janitor's supplies and light .....	57 64
Minor repairs .....	25 50
Medical inspection and supplies .....	76 81
Transportation .....	900 00

## Tuition:

Elementary .....	\$990 00	
Secondary .....	1,638 04	
		2,628 04
State retirement tax .....		5 12
Total payments .....	\$6,278 68	
Cash on hand June 30, 1948 .....	\$716 28	

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Middleton of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GLADYS S. WHITEHOUSE,  
PRISCILLA T. KIMBALL,

Auditors.

July 2, 1948.

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

### 1. DISTRICT OFFICERS

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Addie Tufts, school board .....	\$17 93
Marion Stevens, school board .....	15 00
Dorothy Cook, school board .....	47 07
Emma Locke, treasurer and postage .....	32 91
Beatrice Young, treasurer and postage ....	6 25
Dorothy Cook, census .....	5 00
Merritt Bullis, truant officer .....	5 00
Ruth Kelly, moderator .....	4 00
Lucinda Jenness, clerk .....	4 00
Gladys Whitehouse, auditor .....	1 50
Priscilla Kimball .....	1 50
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	\$140 16

### 2. TEACHERS' SALARIES

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Roberta Giddings .....	\$1,779 00
Tax withheld .....	201 00
Dorothy Cook, substitute .....	16 00
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	\$1,996 00

### 3. TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

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Textbooks .....	\$15 20
Scholars' supplies .....	57 99
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	\$73 19

**4. TRANSPORTATION**

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Merritt Bullis .....	\$900 00
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**5. MEDICAL INSPECTION AND SUPPLIES**

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Dorothy Willey .....	\$75 00
Supplies .....	1 81
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	\$76 81

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**6. TUITION**

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Elementary, Wakefield:

1947-1948 .....	\$684 00	
1946-1947 .....	306 00	
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High School:

Farmington .....	\$202 09	
Nute .....	261 00	
Rochester .....	1,174 95	
	<hr/>	\$1,638 04
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		\$2,628 04

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**7. FIXED CHARGES**

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Per capita tax .....	\$86 00
State retirement and other .....	5 12
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	\$91 12

**8. EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION**

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Superintendent's excess salary .....	\$120 00
Supplies and expenses .....	52 90
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	\$172 90

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**9. OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION**

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Other expenses of instruction .....	\$17 79
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**10. JANITOR SERVICE AND SUPPLIES**

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Marion Stevens, janitor service .....	\$89 50
Lights and janitor's supplies .....	57 64
Fuel .....	10 00
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	\$157 14

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**11. MINOR REPAIRS**

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Minor repairs .....	\$25 50
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF MONEY**

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Appropriation of March, 1948 .....	\$3,627 00
Received from selectmen .....	2,500 00
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Due, amount due School District .....	\$1,127 00



## SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1949-1950

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School District of Middleton

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949.

## Detailed Statement of Expenditures

## Support of Schools:

Teachers' salaries .....	\$2,100 00
Textbooks .....	45 00
Scholars' supplies .....	50 00
Flags and appurtenances .....	5 00
Other expenses of instruction .....	16 00
Janitor service .....	95 00
Fuel .....	60 00
Water, light, and janitor supplies ....	35 00
Minor repairs and expenses .....	25 00
Health supervision .....	55 00
Transportation of pupils .....	1,690 00
Payment of elementary tuitions .....	1,900 00
Other special activities .....	20 00
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Total .....	\$6,096 00

## Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of district officers, fixed by District .....	\$112 00
Truant officer and school census .....	10 00
Payment of tuition in high schools, estimated by board .....	1,850 00
Superintendent's salary, fixed by supervisory union .....	136 00
Per capita tax, report of State Treasurer .....	110 00

Supt. Union expenses, fixed by Supt.	
Union .....	40 00
Retirement, fixed by state .....	108 00
Other obligations imposed by law or established by district .....	35 00
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Total .....	\$2,401 00
Total amount required to meet School Board's budget .....	\$8,497 00
<b>Estimated Income of District</b>	
State Aid, December, 1949 .....	\$3,085 00
Dog tax, estimate .....	50 00
Other estimated income, special State aid ..	1,200 00
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Total .....	\$4,335 00
Assessment required to balance School Board's budget .....	\$4,162 00

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1948

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Cash on hand June 30, 1947, treasurer's bank balance .....	\$107 34
Received from Selectmen, appropriations for current year .	\$2,101 39
Received from State Treasurer .	4,786 23
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	\$6,887 62
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Total amount available for fiscal year, balance and receipts .....	\$6,994 96
Less School Orders paid .....	6,278 68
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1948,  
Treasurer's bank balance ..... \$716 28

BEATRICE YOUNG,  
July 2, 1948. District Treasurer.

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### AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

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This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Middleton, of which the above is the true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and find them correct in all respects.

GLADYS S. WHITEHOUSE,  
PRISCILLA T. KIMBALL,  
July 2, 1948. Auditors.

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### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board and Citizens of Middleton:

This report for the school year ending June 30, 1948, is my third annual report. During the year reported there were thirty pupils enrolled at the Ridge School under the direction of Miss Roberta Giddings. Miss Giddings, who was teaching for the second year in this school, moved to another locality at the end of the year and was replaced by Mrs. Blanche Wentworth of Union, N. H.

The extremely crowded conditions in the school made necessary either opening another school or transporting more pupils to some other district. After the school board and a committee of citizens had consulted with the Commissioner of Education it seemed best in the interest of the children concerned that the seventh and eighth grades be transported to Rochester, and the fifth and sixth grades to Union School. This left the first four grades in the Ridge School with an enrollment currently of seventeen pupils. This makes a group size which can be efficiently taught by one teacher, but is still limited by lack of space in the school building and lack of adequate playground space. An allotment of \$1,200.00 from the State Board of Education was made to assist the district in making this reorganization. Reports from the Rochester School show that these pupils are doing a high grade of work.

The Cooperative School Act of 1947 permits two or more school districts to join in the organization and operation of a school. This act has attracted much attention in the school districts throughout the state and many communities are studying the possibility of such an organization of their school facilities. It would be wise for the citizens of Middleton to acquaint them-



selves with the provisions of this act and explore the possibilities of joint action with adjacent communities of such a project. Even with generous state aid the present cost of transportation and tuition places a heavy burden on the tax payers of this district, and with the numbers of children to enter school during the next five years is likely to continue.

The extreme scarcity of elementary teachers well qualified is a condition still with us and will probably continue for several years. We are fortunate to have available a teacher so well qualified as Mrs. Wentworth. She deserves, and will appreciate, the greatest cooperation from parents and citizens.

In these trying times of increasing school enrollments, high costs, and difficult adjustments the fine spirit of cooperation of members of the School Board, the teacher, citizens, parents, and pupils makes easier the solution of our problems of education. Your superintendent assures you of his appreciation of your attitude and your efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT H. BRASIER,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 19, 1949.

### Statistics

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Number of weeks of school year . . . . .	38
Average number of half-days in session .	360
Total number of different pupils registered: Boys 18; Girls 11 . . . . .	29
Average membership in elementary schools . . . . .	29.39
Per cent of attendance in all schools for year . . . . .	94.82
Number of cases of tardiness, elementary	0
Number of pupils transported at district expense . . . . .	13
Number of visits to school by:	
School Board members . . . . .	0
Citizens . . . . .	6
Superintendent . . . . .	20
Number of School Board meetings held .	9

Perfect attendance for the school year 1947-48:

Elementary Schools:

George P. Brannan

Janet E. Nason

Rodney E. Nason

## INVENTORY OF REAL ESTATE

APRIL 1, 1948

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Brannan, Catherine .....	1	Cottage .....	\$200
Brannan, Norbert .....	11	H'mestead and Knowles lot .....	250
Brooks, Norman .....	1	Cottage .....	200
Burns, Emma .....	1	Cottage .....	200
Bullis, Eric A., Sr. ....	30	Homestead .....	700
Bullis, Eric A., Jr. ....	1	Cottage .....	550
Bullis, Merritt .....	30	Homestead .....	1,000
Burrows, John .....	126	H'mestead and woodlot	800
Butler, Clifford .....	7	Homestead .....	800
Chamberlane, Elmore ...	1	Homestead .....	500
Cook, Clarence .....	6	Homestead .....	500
Cook, Charles .....	160	Stevens and Haven lot	625
Cook, Charles .....	8	Homestead .....	1,250
Colbath, Emma .....	9	Homestead .....	625
Corson, Vina .....	1	Homestead .....	200
Chapman, Eunice and Fred .....	25	Homestead .....	1,000
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	104	Homestead .....	4,000
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	60	Plummer and Pinkham lot .....	400
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	125	Lone Star lot .....	300
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	8	Emery lot .....	100
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	85	A. Stevens lot .....	400
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	68	Stevens lot .....	200
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	328	E. Kimball lot .....	500
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. ...	100	Butler lot .....	200
DiPrizio Sons .....	245	Chesley lot .....	400
DiPrizio, Charles, Jr. ...	30	Chas. Tufts place ....	300
Drawbridge, Persis .....	60	Homestead .....	2,100
Eastman, Charles .....	20	Homestead .....	680
Eastman, Charles .....	45	Merrill field .....	125
Eastman, Charles .....	2	House lot .....	60
Eastman, Charles .....	1	Shapleigh field .....	125
Eastman, Evelyn M. ....	1	Homestead .....	500
Eastman, Evelyn M. ....	1½	Wallace lot .....	100
Eastman, Lloyd .....		Camp .....	50
Eastman, Mary A. ....	1	Corner lot .....	150
Eastman, Ruth .....		Camp .....	100
Eastman Family .....	90	Jessie Mt. lot .....	500
F. Bar C. Ranch .....	200	Homestead .....	3,375
Foster, Augusta and Daisy .....	30	Homestead .....	1,250
Francoeur, Donald .....	50	Homestead .....	1,500
Frawley, Geo. and Mary	1	Homestead .....	1,250

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Gates, Elsworth .....		Camp .....	250
Gould, Burton .....	1	Homestead .....	1,000
Grace, Joseph .....	15	Homestead .....	350
Grace, Joseph .....	41	Colbath wood lot .....	100
Hill, Vila .....	1	Homestead .....	625
Howe, Raymond .....	5	Homestead .....	800
Howe, Richard .....		Camp .....	250
Jenness, Lucinda .....	88	Homestead .....	1,700
Kelly, Asa B. Estate ....	80	Homestead .....	3,625
Kelly, Asa B. Estate ....	50	Wood lot .....	200
Kelly, Asa B. Estate ....		Camp .....	300
Kimball, Alphonzo .....		Homestead .....	500
Kimball, Elmer B. ....	1½	Homestead .....	1,500
Kimball, Elmer B. ....	20	Matthew lot .....	400
Kimball, George .....	81	Edgar Stevens home- stead .....	1,000
Kimball, Herbert .....	17	Camp .....	200
Kinney, Allan .....	30	Homestead .....	1,100
Kinney, Walter .....	100	Homestead .....	800
LeClair, Pauline .....	1½	Homestead .....	500
Leighton, Charles L. ....	20	Homestead .....	1,300
Leighton, Charles L. ....	2	Penney field .....	125
Locke, Emma .....	1	Camp .....	175
Leighton, Walter .....	100	Homestead .....	500
Leighton, William .....	1	Homestead .....	300
Moore, Ethel .....	162	Homestead .....	2,200
Moore, Thomas .....	½	Camp .....	150
Nason, Edward and Ida	1	Camp .....	150
Perkins, Margaret .....	27	Homestead .....	650
Pinkham, Herbert .....	25	Camp .....	400
Shepard, Clayton .....	1	Homestead .....	750
Shepard, Clayton .....	40	Moulton lot .....	250
Smith, Orpheus .....	15	Homestead .....	400
Stevens, Arthur .....	½	Camp .....	250
Stevens, Arthur .....	20	Wood lot .....	350
Stevens, Arthur .....	30	Homestead .....	1,500
Stevens, John .....	50	Homestead .....	1,000
Stevens, Earl .....	25¼	Pasture lot .....	150
Stevens, Hattie .....	1	Homestead .....	1,375
Stevens, Melvin .....	⅓	Homestead .....	650
Stevens, Sidney .....	142	Homestead .....	1,600
Tibbetts, Fred .....	11	Homestead .....	600
Tufts, Clyde and Eva ...	1	Homestead .....	1,250
Tufts, Clyde and Eva ...	50	Shapleigh lot .....	400
Tufts, Clyde and Eva ...	50	Pearl lot .....	400



Name	Acres	Description	Value
Tufts, George .....	1	Homestead .....	700
Tufts, Geo. and Myron .		Eaton and Tanner lot	250
Tufts, Herbert .....	50	Homestead .....	500
Tufts, Herbert .....	10	French field .....	100
Tufts, John and Alice ..	24	Homestead .....	1,125
Tufts, John and Alice ..	15	Mountain lot .....	125
Tufts, James, Heirs ....	132	Mountain lot .....	375
Tufts, Leon G. .......	93	Homestead .....	1,875
Tufts, Leon G. .......	40	Mountain lot .....	300
Tufts, Leon G. .......	12	G. T. Tufts pasture ..	60
Tufts, Leon G. .......	35	Muncie field .....	125
Tufts, Leon G. .......	75	Taft lot .....	450
Tufts, Leon G. .......	30	Twombly lot .....	250
Tufts, Leon G. .......	45	Walt. Kimball lot ....	300
Tufts, Leon G. .......	164	Daveneau homestead .	2,300
Tufts, Moses .....	50	Homestead .....	900
Tufts, Moses .....	100	Mountain lot .....	600
Tufts, Myron .....	2	Homestead .....	350
Tufts, Ransome .....	1	Homestead .....	400
Tufts, Woodrow .....	4	House and camp .....	300
Weiss, Robert .....	100	Homestead .....	650
Whitehouse, Richard ....	120	Homestead .....	900
Whitehouse, Richard ....	150	Mountain lot .....	250
Whitehouse, Harvey Est. .	65	Mountain lot .....	200
Whitehouse, Wesley ....	50	Homestead .....	150
Whitehouse, Wesley ....	½	Hoyt place .....	30
Wilkinson, Wilfred .....	1	Homestead .....	300
Young, Fred .....	60	Homestead .....	1,000
Young, Willard .....	2	Homestead .....	900
Tufts, Orrie .....	1	Homestead .....	500
Leighton, William .....	1	Camp .....	50

## INVENTORY OF NON-RESIDENT REAL ESTATE APRIL 1, 1948

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Amazeen, Walter .....	64	Mark Tuttle place ....	1,000
Atherton, H. I. Est. ....	50	Shapleigh lot .....	700
Bryson, Albert .....	2	Nugent place .....	350
Burbank, Edward and Paula .....	30	James Tufts place ....	875
Burbank, Edward and Paula .....	112	Drew lot .....	500
Burleigh, Dean .....	1	House lot .....	250
Cameron, Albert J. ....	26	Wood lot .....	400

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Coon, William .....	37	Cyrus Willey place ..	900
Chretien, Eugene .....	8	Bailey lot .....	100
Chretien, Eugene .....	64	Maggie lot .....	600
Clements, Gordon .....			400
Downing, Rosillah, Heirs	38	Cloutman lot .....	550
Downing, Rosillah, Heirs	23	Farnham lot .....	550
Downing, Rosillah, Heirs	16	Orne lot .....	150
Drew, Clifton H. ....	153	Horace Drew place ...	650
Drowner, P. C. and J. B. Holmes .....	½	Camp and lot .....	200
Eastman, Geo. N., Heirs .	10	Mountain lot .....	150
Eaton, M. H. ....	3	Stevens lot .....	250
Eccleston, Walter .....	170	Pinkham wood lot ....	1,750
Ferguson, Donald .....	40	J. Gilman lot .....	450
Ferrin, Laurence .....	½	N. F. Hanson cottage .	500
Fifield, Francis .....	2	Part Moulton lot ....	100
Footer, William .....	5	Pike wood lot .....	25
Forte, Felix .....	50	Goodall lot .....	500
Fox, Arthur .....	1½	Tanner lot .....	75
Fox, Arthur .....	9	Moulton place .....	150
Fox, Arthur .....	4¾	Cote lot .....	700
Fox, Arthur .....	100	Gilman lot .....	600
Fox, Arthur .....	25	Varney lot .....	150
Fox, Arthur .....	30	Walker lot .....	150
Fox, Arthur .....	38	Stevens lot .....	200
Fox, Arthur .....	32	Penney lot .....	900
Garron, Dr. C. S. ....	276	E. C. Davis place ....	1,250
Garron, Dr. C. S. ....	50	Colbath and Jenness lot	350
Gilman, John .....	100	Hayes lot .....	500
Goodwin, John and Eu- gene .....	100	Davis lot .....	500
Gulf Oil Co. ....		1 hand pump .....	30
Hall, Errol .....	79	Pearl lot .....	250
Hall, Errol .....	15	Sanborn lot .....	125
Hall and Joy .....	5	W. W. Perkins lot ..	50
Heath, Cecil .....	1¼	Boys' camp .....	350
Heath, Cecil .....	4	Girls' camp .....	350
Hoyt, Howard and Ger- trude .....		Cook house lot .....	75
Hunter, c/o Earl Stevens	60	Homestead .....	1,000
Hunter, c/o Earl Stevens	15	Davis meadow .....	400
Jennings, Irvin .....	8	Foss wood lot .....	100
Joy, Arthur .....	800	Wood lot .....	3,750
Joy, Arthur .....	100	Woodlot .....	650
Kean, Francis .....	30	Colbath place .....	1,000
Keenan, Davis M. ....	25	Twombly lot .....	500
Kennison, Robert .....	1	Part Hall lot .....	50
Kenneth Co. ....	500	Piper pasture .....	1,500

## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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Name	Acres	Description	Value
Kimball and Watson ....	20	Jessie Mt. lot .....	200
Kimball, George .....	40	Homestead .....	900
Kimball, Harry, Heirs ...	25	Cloutman lot .....	300
Kimball, Stanley .....	25	Cottage, Mountain lot .	700
King, Gurdon .....		Wood lot .....	150
Leighton, Fred .....	12	Penney field .....	625
Leighton, Fred .....		Cloutman field .....	300
Leighton, Presco .....	2	C. Leighton field .....	150
Lord, Hiram .....	100	Chesley lot .....	750
Lord, Harry W. ....	50	Babb lot .....	300
Lord, Wm. C. ....	65	Tuttle and Waldron lot	650
Martin, Leslie P. ....	30	Roberts place .....	2,000
McCullough, Mary .....	24	Eliza Lane Estate ....	2,000
McCullough, Mary .....	3	Gessler lot .....	150
Moulton, Fred .....	30	Henry Willey lot .....	250
Nute, Mrs. Wm. ....	1	Cupid Club camp .....	450
New England Box .....	67½	Lovering lot .....	700
New England Box .....	150	Huckins lot .....	2,900
New England Box .....		Geo. Stephens, stump- age .....	2,600
New England Box .....		Roland Moore, stump- age .....	710
O'Donnell, Mrs. John ...	2	Camp .....	100
Perkins, Adam .....	½	Lot .....	50
Parsons, M. H. & Sons ..	16	Emery place .....	125
Pike, Roland .....	15	Calvin Head lot .....	150
Plummer, Geo. L., Heirs	125	Pike-Kenney lot .....	1,250
Plummer, Geo. L., Heirs		Cloutman and Pike lot	950
Public Service Co. of N. H. ....		Power lines .....	9,100
Prescott, Leonard and Louise .....	50	Homestead .....	900
Reid, Geo. B. and Jas. E. .	18	John Young place ...	1,500
Rhines, Inez .....	40	N. B. Place lot .....	400
Rhines, Inez .....	5	Reservoir lot .....	100
Rich, Milton E. ....	75	Place homestead .....	700
Robitaille, Noel .....	20	Stevens and Hall lot .	450
Robitaille, Noel .....	4	Part Colbath lot .....	150
Smith, Leland .....	64	Wheeler and Garland lots .....	650
Stevens, Geo. and John ..	40	Wood lot .....	300
Stevens, Walter R. ....	50	Marshall lot .....	450
Stevens, Walter R. ....	30	Whitehouse lot .....	250
Schnell, William .....	130	Wolfe place .....	1,350
Tibbetts, Chris. ....	130	Roberts lot .....	600
Tilton, Charles .....	24	Part Wentworth lot ..	100
Tilton, Charles .....	1	Camp .....	300

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Towle, Irving .....	130	Geo. H. Willey place .	1,250
Vamoas, Anthony .....	1	Old Tufts place .....	200
Varney, Guy .....	2	Part Moulton place ..	100
Wadleigh, D. F. Estate ..	13	Burleigh field .....	750
Wadleigh, D. F. Estate ..	65	Appleby pasture .....	750
Waldron, Donald .....	40	Pinkham lot .....	600
Wentworth, Richard ....	1	Camp .....	175
Wheelock, Margaret ....	75	Wallace place .....	1,700
Wyandotte Worsted ....		Reservoir .....	5,000
Zabrick, Anthony .....	7	A. Auclair place .....	200
Palmer, Leon .....		H. Tufts, stumpage only .....	200
Palmer, Leon .....		W. Whitehouse, stump- age only .....	200
Page, Annie J. ....,....	½	Camp .....	125
DiPrizio, Presco .....	100	Waldron lot .....	1,000



### Marriages Registered in Town of Middleton for the Year Ending December 31, 1948

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June 26, 1948, in New Durham, John A. Burrows, of Middleton, and Millie Alice Pervere, of Alton. Age of groom, 37; age of bride, 23. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, woodsman; occupation of bride, shoe shop. Place of birth of groom, Middleton; place of birth of bride, North Strafford. Names of parents of groom, David Burrows and Mina Pinkham; names of parents of bride, Arthur Pervere and Emma Stone. Birthplace of parents of groom, Middleton and Milton; birthplace of parents of bride, Vermont and North Strafford. Occupation of groom's father, retired; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, shoeshop; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Walter H. Miller, Justice of the Peace, New Durham.

March 4, 1948, in Northumberland, Joseph E. Grace, of Middleton, and Norma M. Adams, of Rochester. Age of groom, 22; age of bride, 23. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, woodsman; occupation of bride, shoe shop. Place of birth of groom, Middleton; place of birth of bride, Guilford, Me. Names of parents of groom, Joseph S. Grace and Lodena L. Cates; names of parents of bride, Edgar N. Adams and Verne M. Willey. Birthplace of parents of groom, Chatham and Strafford; birthplace of parents of bride, Dover-Foxcroft, Me., and New Durham. Occupation of groom's father, retired; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, carpenter; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Lewis H. Moulton, Methodist minister, Northumberland.

August 21, 1948, in Waldoboro, Me., Wm. V. Jackson, Jr., of West Washington, Me., and Lillian M. Chapman, of Middleton. Age of groom, 29; age of bride, 32. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, truck driver; occupation of bride, shoe shop. Place of birth of groom, Boston, Mass.; place of birth of bride, Dresden, Me. Names of parents of groom, Wm. V. Jackson and Hazel Peasley; names of parents of bride, Geo. Chapman and Marjorie Cunningham. Birthplace of parents of groom, West Washington, Me., and Waldoboro, Me.; birthplace of parents of bride, Dresden, Me., and Wiscasset, Me. Occupation of groom's father, farmer; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, farmer; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, second marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Chester R. Duncan, clergyman, Waldoboro, Me.

September 25, 1948, in Farmington, Gideon J. Pelletier, of Middleton, and Theresa A. Tache, of Salem, Mass. Age of groom, 46; age of bride, 36. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, truck driver; occupation of bride, hairdresser. Place

of birth of groom, Salem, Mass.; place of birth of bride, Salem, Mass. Names of parents of groom, Gideon F. Pelletier and P. LaPoint; names of parents of bride, Albert Tache and Corin Michaud. Birthplace of parents of groom, Canada; birthplace of parents of bride, Canada. Occupation of groom's father, retired policeman; mother, ———; occupation of bride's father, ———; mother, housewife. Second marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Rev. J. Dufou, Roman Catholic Clergyman, Farmington.

November 3, 1948, in Milton, Fred W. Downs, of Wakefield, and Virginia A. Stevens, of Middleton. Age of groom, 22; age of bride, 18. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, knife factory; occupation of bride, waitress. Place of birth of groom, Union; place of birth of bride, Sandown. Names of parents of groom, Winifred E. Downs and Carrie Wentworth; names of parents of bride, Earl W. Stevens and Elsie Ray. Birthplace of parents of groom, Wolfeboro and Acton, Me.; birthplace of parents of bride, Middleton and Hudson. Occupation of groom's father, mill employee; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, knife factory; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Rev. Ralph V. Townsend, Minister of the Gospel, Milton.

### Births Registered in the Town of Middleton for the Year Ending December 31, 1948

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Samuel C. Brooks, born April 1, 1948, at Rochester, living, second child. Name of father, Carlyle G. Brooks; maiden name of mother, Martha K. Hill. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, planer. Birthplace of father, Rochester; birthplace of mother, Wakefield.

Patricia A. Shea, born April 11, 1948, at Rochester, living, first child. Name of father, Millard J. Shea; maiden name of mother, Katherine Brewer. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, woodsman. Birthplace of father, Bilmont, N. Y.; birthplace of mother, Royalston, Mass.

Georgianna G. Tufts, born May 13, 1948, at Rochester, living, first child. Name of father, Stephen J. Tufts; maiden name of mother, Mary K. Marcoux. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, lineman. Birthplace of father, Rochester; birthplace of mother, Milton.

Richard C. Bishop, Jr., born June 1, 1948, at Rochester, living, second child. Name of father, Richard C. Bishop; maiden name of mother, Ruby I. Regan. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, laborer. Birthplace of father, Lynn, Mass.; birthplace of mother, Lynn, Mass.

Theresa A. Haskins, born June 20, at Rochester, living, first child. Name of father, Horace W. Haskins; maiden name of mother, Sadie J. Goodwin. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, woodsman. Birthplace of father, Worcester, Mass.; birthplace of mother, Barnstead.

Judith Ann Burrows, born September 1, 1948, at Rochester, living, second child. Name of father, Geo. D. Burrows; maiden name of mother, Janet M. Bullis. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, shoe shop. Birthplace of father, Middleton; birthplace of mother, Haverhill, Mass.

Wayne Edward Butler, born November 17, 1948, at Rochester, living, fourth child. Name of father, Clifford Butler; maiden name of mother, Helen Eastman. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, laborer. Birthplace of father, Belfast, Me.; birthplace of mother, Middleton.

**..Deaths Registered in the Town of Middleton for  
the Year Ending December 31, 1948**

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Mary R. Eastman, died August 13, 1948, at Middleton, age 58 years, 18 days. Born at Middleton, female, white, married. Occupation, housewife. Birthplace of father, Middleton; birthplace of mother, not known. Name of father, Chas. D. Tufts; mother, Nellie Corson.

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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LUCINDA D. JENNESS,  
Town Clerk.











